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DODGER HOPES DIMMER

BY GAYLE TALBOT
NEW YORK (AP)—Any way, it was a beautiful dream the Dodgers had while it lasted, and the feeling remains strong that they would give the Yankees a fit if Joe Black could pitch every day.

As it is, Manager Chuck Dressen's shocked athletes probably will do well to carry the series to six games. You do not recover easily from such a belaboring as Mickey Mantle, Billy Martin, Vic Raschi and their mates dealt out in the second game. It was brutal.

The score—7-1—was one-sided enough, but it was more the manner in which the American Leagueers went about the execution, cold and merciless as ever when the big money is on the line. Raschi, as mean a looking pitcher as there is in the game, was humiliating in his mastery through the final six innings.

OVERMATCHED
Down in their hearts, when it was over, the Dodgers must have realized that they were overmatched, that they had no such breath-taking young star on their side as Mantle, the 20-year-old wonder from Oklahoma, and that they were certain in the end to be betrayed by their shortage of really fine pitching.

The picture could change again today, of course. Preacher Roe, the thin man from Ida. Ark., still is capable on occasion of pitching a whole of a game of ball, and the deep expanses of Yankee Stadium are ideal for an old timer who leans heavily upon his outfielders.

NEEDS HELP
But he will need some serious help at the plate, and the Brooklyn batters appeared to be mesmerized the last time we saw them. Easy Ed Lopat, the greatest of the dip-dodgers, will do nothing calculated to bring them to.

Toward the end yesterday, Raschi was stomping on the carcass. A grim figure out there, he appeared determined to see to it that the Dodgers never did come back to life. In the eighth inning he made Roy Campanella, a nice fellow, duck for his life, and in the ninth, with nothing whatever at stake, he came near decapitating Gil Hodges.

That, though, is the way the Yankees do business. They want the other team to know who is boss.

Gavilan Slight Favorite

HAVANA (AP)—One of the great grudge fights the year will divide the welterweight boxing title of the world here Saturday night.

Billy Graham, 36, of New York, the challenger, and Champion Kid Gavilan, 26, Havana Negro, have a lot to say about close decisions in their three previous fights.

Officially, the score is two to one in Gavilan's favor, but there are many—Graham among them—who say the New Yorker should have had the title after their New York fight on Aug. 29, 1951.

Gavilan is a slight favorite. But even the Cubans have been impressed by Graham's powerful punching, and his magnificent condition. Several times in workouts here, his sparring partners were knocked down.

It will be Gavilan's fourth title defense.

Doby Not On Trade Market

NEW YORK (AP)—Outfielder Larry Doby of the Cleveland Indians is not on the market.

"I would not trade Doby for any player in the American League," declared Hank Greenberg, Cleveland general manager, when asked about reports Doby might be traded.

Georgia's Grid Battery Called Best College Pass Combination



HARRY BABCOCK ... catcher

BY EDWIN POPE
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ATHENS, Ga. (NEA)—Georgia's Bulldogs, short on offensive football artillery the past two seasons, have a BB attack coming up.

For possibly the nation's premier college football battery, Edmund Raymond (Zeke) Bratkowski is the pitcher. The 20-year-old Hungarian-Polish-American was sent to Georgia from Danville, Ill., by Charley Trippi's old coach, Paul Shubby.

A freshman sub, he beluked in '50. It was the making of him. Each day, after working with his regular varsity, Coach Wallace Butts held individual sessions with Bratkowski as long as daylight would wait.

IN STYLE
The Brat debuted in style in '51 with a 137.8-yard-per-game passing figure, new Southwestern Conference high. He throws the ball bullet-like, and Harry Lewis Babcock, the catcher, is just the man for the other end.

Babcock, a 200-pounder from Pearl River, N. Y., is, in Alabama Coach Harold (Red) Drew's words, "the finest offensive end I have seen since Don Hutson."

Drew coached Hutson. Babcock's own end tutor, Perry Shoemaker, figures him the best blocking end he ever had.

BOTH BEAT
"There were two others maybe in his class," clips Shoemaker. "They were Paul Bryant of Alabama (now Kentucky head coach) and Bowden Wyatt of Tennessee (now Wyoming boss). But Babcock's got 'em both beat."

Against Boston College last year, the junior caught 170 yards of passes.

Bratkowski threw 251 yards' worth that day.



ZEKE BRATKOWSKI ... pitcher

Coast Elevens Book Headliners

By RUSS NEWLAND
SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Pacific Coast football comes up with some headliners Saturday.

Michigan books up with Stanford in Palo Alto in the nation's televised game of the week. Millions will have a chance to view it over the air. Upwards of 30,000 will see it first hand.

Local odds-makers think Stanford, defending Pacific Coast Conference champion, is the better team by a point. Last year, at Ann Arbor, Stanford beat its Big Ten rival, 23-13.

FAVORITES
Michigan State, tops in the Associated Press' pre-season and first weekly polls, takes its No. 1 ranking at Portland for a meeting with Oregon State. The Spartans took Michigan 27-13 last week and will be strong favorites to flatten Oregon State, 14-7 winner of Utah in its opener.

High powered Southern California is expected to beat Army at Los Angeles. The Trojans walloped Washington State and Northwestern by impressive counts, but Army looked OK in winning from South Carolina 28-7 last week.

An important conference clash pits UCLA against Washington at Seattle. UCLA is a mild favorite but will have to defend against Washington's Don Heinrich, who pitched touchdown strikes in victories over Idaho and Minnesota.

STILL SICK
UCLA may not get full service from their still ailing tailback star, Paul Cameron. They hold a league win over Oregon and an inter-sectional one over Texas Christian.

Oregon rates the call over Idaho in their conference game at Moscow.

Top games involving independents pit hard hitting College of the Pacific against Texas Tech at Stockton, and pass throwing San Jose State against driving Arizona State at Tempe. Both are Saturday night contests.

Walker and Branch Ruckey, general manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, conferred Thursday night, leading to speculation that Walker might be named manager of the Bucs to succeed Billy Meyer.

Walker, who recently resigned as manager of Atlanta in the Southern Association, was asked if he was interested in the Pittsburgh vacancy. He replied: "you show me one minor league manager who would not like to manage in the majors."

Fullback Pat Harder of the Detroit Lions in the National Football League is a candidate for sheriff in his native Milwaukee, Wis.

Van Buren Gets Assistant Job

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Steve Van Buren, the greatest running back in National Football League history, has been named an assistant coach by the Philadelphia Eagles.

Van Buren, with the Eagles eight seasons, has been hampered by injuries. He displaced his knee in pre-season practice, and will be out of action for the balance of the 1952 campaign.

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Wisconsin Eyes Rose Bowl Trip

By JOHN CHANDLER

NEW YORK (AP)—October's first football Saturday promises some of the heaviest firing of the season to date, but overshadowing them all is a duel between Illinois and Wisconsin which could point the Badgers toward the Rose Bowl.

Illinois went to the Pasadena New Year's Day classic last time, and can't repeat under Big 10 Conference rules.

But Wisconsin, rated about on a par with Illinois, can make the trip and a victory Saturday means they're disposed of their biggest obstacle. Not since 1935 has either team beaten the other twice in a row, so Illinois won last year and that leaves it up to Wisconsin.

There is a sparkling inter-sectional schedule, but nowhere are there such big ones as in the Southwest where Texas teams take on five toughies from other areas.

Notre Dame tangles with Texas at Austin, Georgia Tech vs. Southern Methodist at Dallas, Kentucky and Texas A & M at College Station, Washington State and Baylor at Waco and Louisiana State meeting Rice at Houston.

Although the accent is on inter-sectional warfare, the Wisconsin-Illinois affair at Madison isn't the only conference tussle of major importance. Arkansas and Texas Christian tie off at Fort Worth in a Southwest Conference struggle, Colorado and Kansas meet in a Big Seven circuit tilt at Lawrence,

and UCLA and Washington battle at Seattle in a Pacific Coast Conference game.

Michigan State, voted the nation's No. 1 team in the first AP poll this week, travels to Portland for a meeting with Oregon State.

The far West also will see Army's rebuilding Cadets against Southern California at Los Angeles, while Michigan tests Stanford at Palo Alto. The Michigan-Stanford game is this week's national TV offering, beginning at 4:45 p.m., EST.

Another big one between teams from rival areas brings together Tennessee and Duke at Durham, N.C., one of the South's top engagements. California heads into the Middle West to tackle Minnesota at Minneapolis, Santa Clara is at Tulane, Villanova at Detroit, Boston University at Marquette, Vanderbilt at Northwestern, Pitt at Oklahoma, Texas Tech at College of Pacific, William & Mary at Penn State, Cincinnati at Tulsa and Boston College vs. Wake Forest at Winston-Salem, N.C.

Maryland and Clemson, the two bad boys of the Southern Conference because of accepting forbidden bowl games last year, have an important scrap at College Park, Md.

Navy, showing signs of returning to power, gets a big test against Cornell at Ithaca.

Two big games tonight find Alabama at Miami, Fla., and Temple at Syracuse.

Also included on the Saturday program are:

East: Brown at Yale, Rutgers at Princeton, Columbia at Harvard, Dartmouth at Penn, Fordham at Holy Cross, Coigate at Buffalo, Maine at Vermont, N. Y. U. at Kings Point, Rochester at Williams, Delaware at Lehigh, Western Maryland at Gettysburg, Waynesburg at West Virginia.

Midwest: Iowa at Indiana, Iowa State at Nebraska, Purdue at Ohio State, Missouri at Kansas State, Wichita at Bradley, South Dakota at North Dakota.

Southwest: New Mexico A & M at New Mexico, Houston at Oklahoma A & M.

South: Virginia vs. Virginia Tech at Roanoke, Washington and Lee at George Washington, Citadel vs. Florida at Jacksonville, South Carolina at Furman, Richmond at VMI, Davidson at North Carolina State.

West: Arizona at Utah, Colorado A & M at Denver, Brigham Young at Montana, Wyoming at Utah State.

TIME OUT!



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